

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gregory STECKMAN,

et al.

Examiner:

ANGEBRANNDT, Martin

J.

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MS: Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2007. No fees are believed to be necessary; however, in the event that any fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 503795. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is needed, the extension is requested and please charge the fee for this extension to Deposit Account No. 503795.

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Reply to Office Action

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-73 are pending in the present application.

Claims 38,42,45,46,48,49,61,62 and 66-73 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being fully anticipated by Lemaire et. Al (US 6,147,341).

Claims 1-5, 8-12, 19,22-33,38-42,45-49,56 and 59-69 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being fully anticipated by Sullivan (US 6,621'957).

Claims 1-12,19,22-49, 56 and 59-73 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sullivan et al. (US 6,621'957), in view of Glenn et al. (US 4,807'950), Glenn et al. (US 5,388,173) or Laming et al. (US 6,169,829).

Claims 1-12, 19-49 and 56-73 are rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sullivan et al. (US 6,621'957), combined with either Glenn et al. (US 4,807'950), Glenn et al. (US 5,388,173) or Laming et al. (US 6,169,829), further in view of Fells et al. (US 6,363,187).

Claims 38,39,42,45-50, 54 and 55 are rejected under 35 U.S.C 102(e) as being fully anticipated by Myers et al., (US-2003/0210863).

Claims 1-18 and 38-55 are rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being unpatentable over Myers et al. (US-2003/0210863) in view of Sullivan (US 6,621'957) combined with Glenn et al. (US 4,807'950), Glenn et al. (US 5,388,173) or Laming et al. (US 6,169,829).

Prior Art (US 5,042,898; 6,507,693; 6,396,982; 6,628,862; 6,101,301; 5,771,250; 6,370,310; 6.304,687; 6,498,891;

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims.